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Gary Karlin Michelson

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**IMPLANT WITH LOCKING THREAD****CONFIGURATION FOR INSERTION****BETWEEN BONE STRUCTURES (as amended)**

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in reply to the Office Action of November 3, 2005 in the above-identified application.

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